

# House File 486 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 29)

## A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act establishing a scenic byways enhancement fund, including
- 2 by providing for voluntary contributions to the fund, and
- 3 including effective date provisions.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1     Section 1. NEW SECTION. 307.50 Scenic byways enhancement  
2 fund.

3     1. A scenic byways enhancement fund is created in the  
4 state treasury under the control of the department. The fund  
5 shall consist of moneys transferred to the fund pursuant  
6 to section 321.44B and any other moneys appropriated to or  
7 deposited in the fund. Moneys in the fund are appropriated to  
8 the department for the support, development, maintenance, and  
9 enhancement, including but not limited to litter prevention, of  
10 the scenic byways of this state.

11    2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund  
12 that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of a  
13 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
14 expenditure for the purposes designated. Notwithstanding  
15 section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in  
16 the fund shall be credited to the fund.

17    Sec. 2. NEW SECTION. 321.44B Voluntary contribution —  
18 scenic byways enhancement fund — amount retained by county  
19 treasurer.

20    For each application for vehicle registration renewal,  
21 the county treasurer or the department shall request through  
22 use of a written form, and, if the application is made in  
23 person, through verbal communication, that an applicant make a  
24 voluntary contribution of one dollar or more, computed to the  
25 nearest whole dollar, to the scenic byways enhancement fund  
26 established in section 307.50. One hundred percent of the  
27 moneys collected by the county and one hundred percent of the  
28 moneys collected by the department in the form of contributions  
29 shall be remitted to the treasurer of state for deposit in the  
30 scenic byways enhancement fund to be used for the purposes  
31 specified for the fund. However, up to five percent of the  
32 moneys collected by the county may be retained by the county  
33 treasurer for deposit in the general fund of the county.  
34 The director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A to  
35 administer this section.

1     Sec. 3. Section 331.557, subsection 1, Code 2021, is amended  
2 to read as follows:

3 1. Issue, renew, and replace lost or damaged vehicle  
4 registration cards or plates and issue and transfer  
5 certificates of title for vehicles, and collect voluntary  
6 contributions, as provided in sections 321.17 ~~to~~ through  
7 321.52.

8       Sec. 4.   EFFECTIVE DATE.   This Act takes effect January 1,  
9 2022.

10	EXPLANATION
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11 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
12 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

13 This bill creates a scenic byways enhancement fund  
14 and appropriates moneys in the fund to the department of  
15 transportation (DOT) for the support, development, maintenance,  
16 and enhancement, including litter prevention, of scenic byways.  
17 For each application to renew the registration of a vehicle,  
18 the county treasurer or the DOT is required to request that an  
19 applicant make a voluntary contribution of \$1 or more, computed  
20 to the nearest whole dollar, to the scenic byways enhancement  
21 fund. Up to 5 percent of the moneys collected by the county may  
22 be retained by the county treasurer for deposit in the general  
23 fund of the county.

24 The bill takes effect January 1, 2022.